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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

Hsi-Chin TSAI for
Inventor(s)

INJECTION JOINT FOR AN INTRAVENOUS (IV) DEVICE TUBE
Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. X Specification (total pages (12) including:
 - a. X Claims
 - b. X Abstract
2. X 8 sheets of informal formal X drawings.
3. X Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (1 total pages)
 - a. X Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4. Deletion of Inventor(s)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5. Incorporation By Reference
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7. X An assignment of the invention to Hsi-Chin Tsai and Wen-Neng Liu (cover sheet & document(s))
8. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
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10. ___ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

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11. ___ A Preliminary Amendment

12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

13. X Applicant(s) hereby establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27

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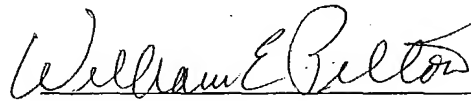
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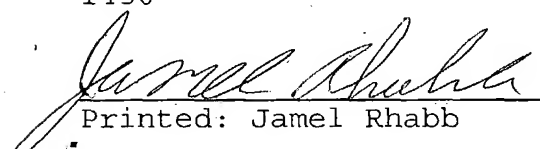
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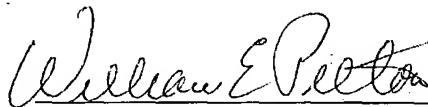
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